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CORRUPTION IN RAILWAYS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are a number of areas which are prone to widespread corruption in the Railways;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to curb/check revenue leakages; (

(c) the number of revenue leakage cases that have come to light and the action taken thereon during each of the last three years;

(d) whether instead of strictly implementing the guidelines issued or making provisions of strict norms there still remains a wide gap to check the prevailing corruption; and

(e) if so, the steps taken to make the norms and guidelines effective?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise as far as areas of widespread corruption are concerned. Railways have a regular system of carrying out checks in areas prone to revenue leakages.

(c) The number of revenue leakage cases that have come to light during the last three years are as under:-

Years	No. of cases
1999	3,561
2000	4,668
2001	4,108

Prompt action is taken for recovery of the requisite amount besides action for suspension/banning of business with the erring firms wherever applicable as per extant instructions and departmental proceedings against the officials found responsible for the lapses, if any.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.